GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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DEREGULATION OF DOMESTIC AIR SERVICES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Confederation of Indian Industries (CII)has sought deregulation of domestic air services to stimulate growth of regional airlines and increase connectivity of areas that are remote and need economic development;

(b) if so, whether CII have presented a reform agenda to the Government in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the other steps suggested by CII in their agenda for promotion of tourism and rationalization of aviation turbine fuel etc; and

(e) the steps taken or being taken by the Government on the recommendations of the CII?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b) and (c): In a colloquium on air connectivity organised by Confederation of Indian Industry on 30.1.2001 atChennai, liberalisation of air services have been recommended so as to develop services on regional and shorthaul and feeder routes.

(d) CII has pointed out that the present cost of ATF and AVGAS is detrimental to the aviation Industry.

(e) Recommendation of the CII have been taken into account while formulating the new Civil Aviation Policy.